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- 1. SUMMARY. THE THIRD DIVISION KILLED OVER 100 AND SEIZED MANY WEAPONS SOUTHWEST OF PHNOM PENH. SOME REPLACEMENT FORCES MADE IT ASHORE AGAINST HEAVY OPPOSITION AT PEAM REANG ISLAND. THE AUGMENTED BIRD AIR WITH SUPPLEMENTAL US-FLAG COMMERCIAL CARRIER AIRLIFT BROUGHT IN ABOUT 500 TONS OF AMMO AND 16,500 GALLONS OF POL WITH NO INCIDENTS. END SUMMARY
- 2. SOUTHWEST OF THE CAPITAL, THE THIRD DIVISION REGISTERED ANOTHER BIG KILL FEB 14 WHEN THE 15TH BRIGADE, ARMOR AND AIR SUPPORT HIT THE KC, KILLED 126 AND RECOVERED 63 WEAPONS.
- 3. THE NAVY LANDED 40 MEN OF A FANK REPLACEMENT BATTALION ON PEAM REANG ISLAND, BUT MNK AND FANK TOOK MODERATE CASUALTIES AS HEAVY ENEMY FIRE PREVENTED COMPLETION OF THE LANDING. FURTHER NORTH ON CONFIDENTIAL

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DOS CHOKEPOINT IS STILL STALLED.

- 4. TAKEO AND KAMPOT REMAIN UNDER PRESSURE. THE KC STILL ENCIRCLE A POSITION ON THE TAKEO PERIMETER AND KAMPOT REGISTERED ATTACKS ALL AROUND ITS PERIMETER THROUGHOUT THE DAY. AT KOMPONG CHHANG, THE KC INFILTRATED A VILLAGE, BURNED SOME HOMES, KILLED 11, INCLUDING A WOMAN AND CHILD, AND WOUNDED ANOTHER 30, MOSTLY WOMEN AND CHILDREN. TWENTY PEOPLE WERE BURNED IN THE FIRES.
- 5. UNDER ITS EXPANDED CONTRACT, BIRD AIR BROUGHT IN 13 C-130'S AND US-FLAG COMMERCIAL CARRIERS TEMPORARILY SUPPLEMENTING THE BIRD OPERATION LANDED 5 STRETCH DC-8'S. THIS FIRST DAY OF SURGE OPERATIONS SMOOTHLY BROUGHT IN JUST UNDER 500 SHORT TONS OF AMMO, 16,500 GALLONS OF POL AND SOME GENERAL CARGO.
- 6. POCHENTONG RECEIVED 5 ROUNDS OF 107MM ROCKET THIS MORNING WITH NO CASUALTIES OR DAMAGE REPORTED. A SIXTH ROCKET LANDED AT KM 8 NORTH OF PHNOM PENH ON ROUTE 5 WITH NO EFFECT REPORTED. DEAN

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